

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

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1-30. (Canceled)

31. (New) A method of subsidizing a transportation system, comprising:  
granting access to the transportation system via a use of a transportation pass,  
accumulating information related to each access of a plurality of accesses to the  
transportation system, corresponding to a use of a plurality of transportation passes,  
generating statistical reports based on the information that is accumulated, and  
selling some or all of the statistical reports to subsidize the transportation system.

32. (New) The method of claim 31, further including  
accumulating additional information related to each egress from the transportation  
system, and  
wherein  
the statistical reports are also based on the additional information.

33. (New) The method of claim 31, further including  
associating user profiles to some or all of the plurality of transportation passes,  
and  
wherein  
the statistical reports are also based on the user profiles.

34. (New) The method of claim 33, further including  
providing incentives to users who use transportation passes having associated user  
profiles.

35. (New) The method of claim 31, wherein  
selling the statistical reports includes selling the statistical reports to commercial  
entities to facilitate demographic profiling.

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36. (New) The method of claim 31, wherein  
the statistical reports include at least one of:  
a number of accesses during a time interval,  
an average number of accesses per unit time,  
a distribution of accesses over time, and  
a distribution of accesses over geographic location.

37. (New) The method of claim 32, wherein  
the statistical reports include at least one of:  
a number of egresses during a time interval,  
an average number of egresses per unit time,  
a distribution of egresses over time, and  
a distribution of egresses over geographic location.

38. (New) The method of claim 31, wherein  
each access is associated with a geographic location, and  
the statistical reports are also based on the geographic location of each access.

39. (New) The method of claim 38, wherein  
selling the statistical reports includes selling the statistical reports to commercial  
concerns at select geographic regions corresponding to one or more of the geographic  
locations of the plurality of accesses.

40. (New) The method of claim 32, wherein  
each egress is associated with a geographic location, and  
the statistical reports are also based on the geographic location of each egress.

41. (New) The method of claim 40, wherein

selling the statistical reports includes selling the statistical reports to commercial concerns at select geographic regions corresponding to one or more of the geographic locations of the plurality of egresses.

42. (New) A method of managing a transportation system, comprising:

granting access to the transportation system via a use of a transportation pass, accumulating information related to each access of a plurality of accesses to the transportation system, corresponding to a use of a plurality of transportation passes, generating statistical reports based on the information that is accumulated, and managing the transportation system based at least in part on the statistical reports.

43. (New) The method of claim 42, further including

accumulating additional information related to each egress from the transportation system, and

wherein

the statistical reports are also based on the additional information.

44. (New) The method of claim 42, further including

associating user profiles to some or all of the plurality of transportation passes, and

wherein

the statistical reports are also based on the user profiles.

45. (New) The method of claim 44, further including

providing incentives to users who use transportation passes having associated user profiles.

46. (New) The method of claim 42, wherein

the statistical reports include at least one of:

- a number of accesses during a time interval,
- an average number of accesses per unit time,
- a distribution of accesses over time, and
- a distribution of accesses over geographic location.

47. (New) The method of claim 43, wherein

the statistical reports include at least one of:

- a number of egresses during a time interval,
- an average number of egresses per unit time,
- a distribution of egresses over time, and
- a distribution of egresses over geographic location.

48. (New) The method of claim 42, wherein

each access is associated with a geographic location, and  
the statistical reports are also based on the geographic location of each access.

49. (New) The method of claim 43, wherein

each egress is associated with a geographic location, and  
the statistical reports are also based on the geographic location of each egress.

50. (New) The method of claim 43, wherein

managing the transportation system includes

- determining traffic flow based on corresponding accesses and egresses,
- modifying one or more transportation services based on the traffic flow.